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: Ranger et al

INVENTION

: Water Soluble Stabilized
Self-Assembled Polyelectrolytes

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF February 26, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 26, 2003
having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire
May 26, 2003, for which a one-month retroactive Request for
Extension of Time is requested via a petition filed